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latitude was expected. My insistence from the first, however, that the regulations must be strictly enforced soon met with the cooperation of the agents and masters of vessels, and little difficulty was experienced in such enforcement.

The fruit trade at this port is carried on at present by three companies, viz, The United Fruit Company, Camors, McConnell & Co., and The Alabama Fruit Company, the largest interest being represented by the The United Fruit Company. These companies have cooperated heartily with me in the discharge of my duties, and I have been treated by all with uniform consideration and courtesy.

During the season there was never a suspicion of infectious disease, although this port was threatened by Panama on the one side and Limon on the other, and yet there was no systematic attempt made by the local authorities to keep out infection. Their attitude was one of perfect indifference to the situation. I have warned all those interested of the danger which threatens this port from Panama, and all ports east of here, and have advised that they continue to impress on the authorities the necessity of a strict supervision over vessels from that direction.

The United Fruit Company is opening up large tracts of new land, and laying out extensive plantations along the borders of the Chiriqui Lagoon, for which purpose large numbers of laborers (negroes), are brought from Jamaica. Owing to the continuous traffic during the past season which demanded my constant presence in the port of Bocas, I have not been able to visit all these places. I intend, however, before leaving here to make the entire round and to mark all important points on an authentic chart. This might be of some little interest to the Bureau for future reference, as one settlement, namely, Chiriqui Grande, is assuming considerable importance, and promises in the future to aspire to the dignity of a port of entry. At present there is no communication with outside ports excepting through Bocas del Toro, at which port all vessels must duly enter and clear before going into the lagoon.

In the disinfection of baggage I have used the entire carboy of the formalin mixture furnished me, and have still on hand the carboy of plain formalin, which, together with the autoclave and all other property I have turned over to the United States consular agent whose receipt for same I herewith inclose.

Respectfully,

HERMAN B. MOHR,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

COSTA RICA.

Report from Port Limon.

PORT LIMON, COSTA RICA, November 1, 1899.

SIR: I have the honor to report the following additional operations at this station since October 5, 1899: Nine steamships have been inspected clearing for ports south of the southern boundary of the State of Maryland; 21 cabin passengers (no steerage) were inspected, and 58 pieces of baggage were inspected and disinfected.

Respectfully,

WM. H. CARSON,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

PORT LIMON, COSTA RICA, November 1, 1899.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith report for the four days ended October 31, 1899. The following vessels have cleared from this port for the United States during said period: October 27, steamship *Alabama*, Stiversen, master; number of crew, 17; passenger, 1; cleared for New Orleans direct. October 28, steamship *Hispania*, Frockberg, master; number of crew, 22; passengers, 2; cleared for New Orleans direct. October 30, steamship *Aline*, Long, master; number of crew, 40; passengers, 2; cleared for New York, N. Y.

There has been 1 death in the port, that of a colored infant on the 29th instant, the result of heart disease.

The port and department of Limon continue to remain free from any contagious or infectious diseases, with the exception of a case of vari-cella, the child being a passenger on the steamship *Hispania*, from New Orleans.

Respectfully,

WM. H. CARSON,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

HONDURAS.

Report from Puerto Cortez.

PUERTO CORTEZ, HONDURAS, October 31, 1899.

SIR: In this communication, which will end my official services here, I have the honor to report the continued freedom of this port from any suspicion of quarantinable diseases. Malaria rife. No deaths.

I leave for New Orleans on steamship *Stillwater*, leaving this port on 2d instant.

Since October 1, I have inspected and certified the following vessels:

Vessel.	Master.	Crew.	Passen- gers.	Destination.	Cargo.
Steamship Elliot.....	Peters.....	13	.....	Charleston.....	Fruit.
Steamship Themis.....	Anderson.....	28	4	New York.....	Mahogany.
Steamship Bergen.....	do.....	26	.....	Havana.....	Cattle.
Steamship Senior.....	Peterson.....	18	.....	do.....	Do.
Steamship Stillwater.....	Gault.....	30	.....	New Orleans.....	Mail, fruit.
Steamship Bergenseren.....	Bertzen.....	15	.....	Mobile.....	Fruit.
Steamship Themis.....	Andersen.....	28	.....	New York.....	Mahogany.
Steamship Uto.....	do.....	20	.....	Havana.....	Cattle.
Steamship Breakwater.....	Rivara.....	30	.....	New Orleans.....	Mail, fruit.
Steamship Bergenseren.....	Bertzen.....	15	.....	Mobile.....	Fruit.
Steamship Themis.....	Andersen.....	28	.....	New York.....	Mahogany.
Steamship Uto.....	do.....	20	.....	Havana.....	Cattle.
Steamship Jamaica.....	do.....	.....	.....	Mobile.....	Fruit.
Steamship Ardanmohr.....	Johnson.....	33	.....	Havana.....	Cattle.
Steamship Stillwater.....	Gault.....	30	.....	New Orleans.....	Mail, fruit.
Steamship Jamaica.....	do.....	.....	.....	Mobile.....	Fruit.
Steamship Senior.....	Peterson.....	18	.....	Havana.....	Cattle.
Steamship Uto.....	Andersen.....	20	.....	Havana.....	Cattle.
Steamship Breakwater.....	Rivara.....	33	.....	New Orleans.....	Mail, fruit.
Steamship Jamaica.....	do.....	.....	.....	Mobile.....	Fruit.
Steamship Simon Dumois.....	do.....	.....	.....	Mobile.....	Fruit.
Steamship Uto.....	Andersen.....	20	.....	Havana.....	Cattle.
Steamship Stillwater.....	Gault.....	30	.....	New Orleans.....	Fruit, mail.
Steamship Bergenseren.....	Bertzen.....	15	.....	Mobile.....	Fruit.
Steamship Burnes.....	do.....	.....	.....	do.....	Do.
Steamship Schleswig.....	do.....	.....	.....	do.....	Do.
Steamship Franklin.....	Ramason.....	16	Mobile.....	Do.
Steamship Stillwater.....	Gault.....	30	New Orleans.....	Mail, fruit.

Respectfully,

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